Indian Policy Advisory Committee (IPAC) Children's Administration & Juvenile Rehabilitation Sub-Committee Revised: December 2009

Issue/Date		Activity Review Date	Expected Outcome	Budget	Outcome Based Performance Measures	Variance	Action Plan to Address Variance	Due Date	Assignment State/Tribe
1	Oct. 09 2106	12/9/09	Tribes and RAIOs to fully participate in development process	None	IPAC representatives attend and participate in committee and subcommittee meetings CA leads consider all IPAC delegates key communicators TDC members communicate actively with IPAC			7/2010	Liz Mueller 2106 Delegates and alternates Trudy Marcellay
2	Dec. 09 Disproportion ality remedial plan	12/9/09	Reduce disproportionate representation of Indian children Indian children in state care longer than two years will have a permanency plan	Unknown	FTDM with Tribal involvement prior to or upon placement			7/2010	Liz Mueller Toni Lodge Nancy Dufraine
2a	ICW Case Review (Move to 2a)	Fall 09	Improve ICW compliance statewide	Unknown	198 Random ICW files audited 12/09: 217 random ICW files audited Implement remediation plan to be developed at statewide state/tribal workgroup, completed by April 8, 2010.			Dec 09 4/2010	Nancy Dufraine, Liz Mueller
3	Tribal Access to Famlink Dec 08	Dec 08 12/09	Tribal access to Famlink 12/09: Training for all interested Tribes	unknown	7/09: program being written 12/09: regional trainers train in their regions, offer TA		7/09: State/Tribal workgroup to convene by 9/15/09	Dec 09 July 2010	Nancy Dufraine, CRP

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4	July 14, 2005 Weighted ICW cases	12/09	Appropriate case management of ICW cases.	N/A	Active efforts demonstrated, increase in return home and low turnover in state ICW units. 12/09: ongoing data collection via quarterly reports on status of case weighting	High workload for state ICW workers compared to non-ICW workers that are employed by the state.	CA to implement the 1 to 1.3 ratios to state ICW cases.	Quarterly 40/09 4/2010	Nancy Dufraine Operations
5	ICW Policy workgroup	Monthly	Update Tribes on monthly basis	Unknown	Update ICW Forms, review policy changes 7/09: continue working on forms and policies 12/09: resume 5/2010			Monthly 5/2010	Nancy Dufraine, Betsy Tulee, Trudy Marcellay, Liz Mueller
6	10-12-06: Tribal authorization for no cost background checks	1-11-07 12/09	Tribes and RAIO's to have access to back-ground checks with out financial burden	Unknown	Address at IPAC strategic planning, 10-24-07 (Possibly prepare white paper addressing the issue) 7/09: will poll Tribes to see whether still an issue (will send email prior to Jan 2010 IPAC asking delegates to gather info)			Jan 09	CA Assistant Secretary, Nancy Dufraine P&PI Nancy D., Trudy M.

Priority issues for 2009:

- 2106
- Disproportionality (2009 quality review, WICWA)
- Title IV-E
- ICW Case Review / Weighted Caseloads
- Disproportionality Study

Completed Items

7/8/09

Dec. 08: Family to Family; Train the Trainers on ICW; for all FTDM facilitators; Nancy Dufraine, Liz Mueller, Melissa Hanson

May, 08: **Disproportionality Study:** Review UW research findings; for distribution to tribes; completed 12/11/08; Nancy Dufraine, Liz Mueller, Jim Sherrill 12/10/08

Inequities in foster care rate paid to Indian Foster home versus non-native foster home – Tribal foster care homes receive equitable higher rate needs assessments for tribal children with chronic health needs and/or higher rate foster care support for Indian children in their care.

Braam Settlement – 6 month progress reports, Report of CA compliance, meetings continue. Disproportionality added as compliance issue; report as needed. More information at:

http://www.wsipp.wa.gov/braampanel/default.asp

CPS/CWS redesign & Neglect update – In operation statewide to assure communication and case collaboration; Child Protection Investigation & Assessment (CPI&A) Cases are: 1. Closed; 2. kept open for voluntary services; 3. filed dependency action and transferred to Family Voluntary Services (FVS) or Family Dependency Services (FDS)

ICW Case Review - Baseline of ICW compliance completed for 100 random ICW files

ICW Conference - Conference held March 24-26, 2008, honored 30 years of ICWA, 300 attended.

Legislative action to increase ICW funding – Consultation held May 07. Distribution/Notice to Tribes July 07.

Enhance contract relations between CA and Tribes – Communication Protocol developed.

Tribal input in the Children's Administration annual progress and services report – Uma Ahluwalia to extend invitation to tribes to be included in the annual budget review process. PIP – ICW improvements accepted in PIP thru collaboration of Tribes/State

ICW Budget Cut - Legislature cut Tribal ICW Program Budgets by \$260,000; Tribal ICW programs divided \$1,782,000 for 2007 - 2009 biennium.

ONGOING

12/09

Title IV-E: Data access, training, ongoing information and facilitation among feds, tribes and state, communication flow and collaboration building; Nancy D., Betsy T., John Henderson, Jane Jorgensen, Liz M., interested tribes.